

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

**Core Curriculum Summary
LAMFT or LMFT**

**"B" Grade or Above Required In Each of the Required 60 Semester Graduate Hours
BRICK-MORTAR AND DISTANCE LEARNING COURSE WORK ACCEPTED IF COURSES MEET THE STANDARDS
ADOPTED BY THE BOARD.**

The AAMFT embraces a family systems perspective of human and family development and of the treatment of both individual and family problems. The following five areas are deemed essential educational training for the practice of marriage and family therapy.

Course Equivalents:

- 3 semester credits
- 4 quarter credits
- 45 didactic contact hours (lecture hours)

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY STUDIES (9 Hour *minimum*/ 3 courses)

Courses in this area should present a fundamental introduction to systems theory. The student should learn to think in systems terms across a wide variety of family structures and a diverse range of presenting issues (i.e., gender culture, substance abuse). Topic areas may include: systems theory, family development, subsystems, blended families, gender issues in families, cultural issues in families, etc.

All courses in this area must have a major focus from a systems theory orientation. Survey or overview courses in which systems is one of several theories covered are not appropriate. Courses in which systems theory is the major focus and other theories are studied in relation to systems theory are appropriate.

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TRADITIONAL-BRICK MORTAR COURSE WORK

DISTANCE LEARNING COURSE WORK

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY (9 Hour *minimum*/ 3 courses)

Courses in this area should have a major focus on advanced family systems theories and systemic therapeutic interventions. This area is intended to provide a substantive understanding of the major theories of systems change and the applied practices evolving from each theoretical orientation. Major theoretical approaches might include: strategic, structural, object relations family therapy, behavioral family therapy, communications family therapy, intergenerational family therapy, and systemic sex therapy.

Survey, or overview courses, in which family therapy is one of several types of theories covered is not acceptable.

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HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (9 Hour *minimum*/ 3 courses)

Courses in this area should provide knowledge of individual personality development and its normal and abnormal manifestations. The student should have relevant coursework in human development across the life span which includes special issues that effect an individuals development (i.e., culture, gender, and human sexuality). This material should be integrated with systems concepts. Topic areas may include: human development, child/adolescent development, psychopathology, personality theory, human sexuality, etc.

Test and measurement courses are not accepted toward this area.

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TRADITIONAL-BRICK MORTAR COURSE WORK

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PROFESSIONAL ETHICS (3 Hour *minimum*)

Courses in this area are intended to contribute to the professional development of the therapist. Areas of study should include the therapist's legal responsibilities and liabilities, professional ethics as a marriage and family therapist, professional socialization, and the role of the professional organization, licensure of certification legislation, independent practice and interprofessional cooperation.

Religious ethics courses and moral theology courses are not accepted toward this area.

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RESEARCH (3 Hour *minimum*)

Courses in this area should assist students in understanding and performing research. Topic areas may include: research methodology, quantitative methods and statistics.

Individual personality, test and measurement, and library research courses are not accepted toward this area.

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PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIPS (9 Hour Practicum/Internships)

Applicants must complete a minimum 1 year practicum (300 hours of client contact with individuals, couples and families). The direct client contact must have been supervised by site supervisors assigned by the university.

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Credential Evaluation Services

International graduate degree(s) must be submitted with an English translation and certification from a credential evaluation service and approved by the Board. These agencies must certify that the foreign degree is equivalent to a United States graduate degree. All costs for this certification are the responsibility of the applicant. For a list of services, please contact the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services, Inc. at (414) 289-3400.

Approved: _____
Signature

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Signature

Date: _____

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Descriptions from Version 10.1
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Recommended elective courses to complete the 60 hour requirement effective January 1, 2003:

ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY

PSYCHOPATHOLOGY

DSM

FAMILY & RELATIONSHIP

PYSCHOPHARMACOLOGY

Recommended electives mandated January 1, 2005.

The requirements above are for Arkansas License only.

**Search web link AAMFT (American Association Marriage and Family Therapist Clinical Membership) for
National Clinical Membership Requirements**